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TO THE PUBLIC.

THE benefits and convenience reſulting from the publication of a well-regulated newſpaper, are ſo obvious that no obſervations can be neceſſary to prove the utility of ſuch an eſtabliſhment in this city.

THE ſubſcribers, animated by a very liberal encouragement, have haſtened to lay before the Public the firſt number of the BURLINGTON ADVERTISER, &c.

THE readineſs of the inhabitants of this city, and the adjacent country, to ſubſcribe before the appearance of the paper, which it is earneſtly hoped will equal their expectations, at once calls upon the Printers to return their ſincere thanks for thoſe favours, and to aſſure them, that nothing ſhall be wanting on their part to render this paper both uſeful and entertaining to every claſs of its readers, and to merit a continuance of their favours.—The Farmers will find their intereſt in a particular attention to the obſervations and experiments, which the Printers flatter themſelves will occupy a part of almoſt every number of this paper; the more ſo, as they have the promiſe of every uſeful information on that ſubject, which can be communicated by a Society lately eſtabliſhed for the promotion of Agriculture in this ſtate: and as the Printers will be ſupplied with a great part of the newſpapers printed on the Continent, they will uſe every effort to render their paper ſerviceable to that reſpectable and uſeful claſs of citizens.

BESIDES Agricultural Information, this paper will contain more or leſs of the debates of Congreſs, it being impoſſible to publiſh the whole in a weekly paper; but ſuch as appear particularly intereſting to the inhabitants of this ſtate, ſhall always be communicated as early as poſſible.---Original Eſſays, and ſuch Extracts from late Publications as may tend to advance the intereſt of the Arts and Sciences, or diffuſe Morality and Religion, ſhall alſo be an object in the proſecution of this work; but any piece having a tendency to defamation, ſlander or detraction, will be inadmiſſible.

THE conditions of this paper are as follows, viz.---Twelve ſhillings ſpecie per annum, four ſhillings to be paid on the delivery of the firſt number, and the ſame at the end of every four months after. Thoſe gentlemen who live at a diſtance, are requeſted to pay punctually their ſubſcription money to the Packet-Maſters of whom they receive their papers, who are alſo requeſted to forward the ſame to the Printers as early as poſſible, in order to enable them to carry on their buſineſs with ſpirit and give ſatisfaction to the Public.

THE Printers being diſappointed in procuring the new types which were expected to have been ready for the firſt publication, they are induced to apologize for the paper's appearing in its preſent form: In order to accommodate the ſubſcribers, they were under the neceſſity of purchaſing the types on which it is now printed, but they expect, in a few weeks, to receive others which are now caſting for their uſe.

Subſcriptions for this paper are received by Mr. Thomas Bullman, *Pennington*; Mr. John Singer, *Poſt-Maſter, Trenton*; Mr. William Norcroſs, *Bordentown*; Mr. Joſeph Douglaſs, *Croſſwicks*; Mr. Jacob Van Scuyver, *Black-Horſe*; Mr. John Perry, *Mount-Holly*; Mr. Samuel Wood, *Woodberry*; Mr. James Wood, *Salem*; Meſſrs. Fithian & M'Caulley, *Croſs-Roads*; Mr. John Sheppard, *Greenwich*; Col. David Potter, and Seeley & Merſeills, *Bridgetown*; Mr. John Dowdney, *Briſtol*, and by the Printers hereof in *Burlington*.

ISAAC NEALE,
DANIEL LAWRENCE.

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Conſtitution of the Burlington Society, for the promotion of AGRICULTURE and DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.

THE peculiar ſituation of New-Jerſey has excluded her, in a great meaſure, from a participation of thoſe benefits ariſing from foreign commerce, and the ſale of new lands, two of the moſt fruitful ſources of the proſperity of the neighbouring ſtates. But as experience has demonſtrated, that a careful attention to increaſe the product of our lands, and to promote thoſe objects of domeſtic manufacture, immediately connected with, and dependent on Agriculture, will greatly tend to increaſe the wealth and proſperity of the ſtate, and thereby place us more nearly on a footing with our ſiſter ſtates—We, the ſubſcribers, convinced of the utility of ſuch a meaſure, and animated by an ardent deſire to promote, by every means in our power, the good of our country, do agree to form ourſelves into a Society for the promotion of theſe important objects, under the following rules:

I. THE name of the Society ſhall be, the *Burlington Society for the promotion of Agriculture and Domeſtic Manufactures.*

II. THE Society ſhall be compoſed of members who ſhall be reſidents of the city and county of Burlington; and ſhall be entitled to vote upon any queſtions before the Society; and honorary members, who may be choſen from any other county of this or any other ſtate, but ſhall have no vote in the proceedings of the Society, as they are not to be ſubjected to the payment of the annual ſubſcription.

III. ALL members of other Agricultural Societies of this, and other ſtates, ſhall be honorary members of this Society.

IV. UNTIL the number of members ſhall amount to ſixteen, any perſon applying to be admitted, may be propoſed at any meeting, and immediately voted for by the members then preſent: If a majority of votes ſhould be in his favour, the perſon ſo voted for ſhall be a member, and be notified of his election by the member who nominated him. After the number of members ſhall amount to ſixteen, every candidate ſhall be put in nomination at the ſtated meeting of the Society preceding that in which he ſhall be voted for; and any perſon ſo elected ſhall be entitled to vote after he has ſigned theſe articles.

V. IN the election of members the votes of the Society ſhall be taken by means of grains of corn, the yellow grains to denote the affirmative, and the red grains the negative.

VI. THE ſtated meetings of the Society ſhall be on the firſt Saturday in every month, in the city of Burlington, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon; and the Society ſhall adjourn to ſuch place in the ſaid city of Burlington as ſhall be agreed upon. No meeting to continue longer than four hours.

VII. EVERY perſon ſubſcribing theſe articles, ſhall, at the time of ſuch ſubſcription, pay the ſum of one ſilver dollar, and ſhall continue to pay the like ſum annually, at the meeting to be held in January; the amount of which ſubſcriptions and annual payments, ſhall go towards a fund, to be applied by the Society as premiums, and for making uſeful experiments, for the purchaſe of approved books on agricultural ſubjects, for models of new and uſeful implements of huſbandry, and other neceſſary expenditures of the Society.

VIII. WHEN a member is to be elected, or the funds of the Society (except for ordinary contingent expences) are to be diſpoſed of, the propoſal ſhall be ſubmitted to the conſideration of the Society at one meeting at leaſt preceding that on which any deciſion ſhall be taken on the ſubject; and in debates on ſuch queſtions a majority ſhall be a quorum until the number of members ſhall amount to twenty-four, after which thirteen ſhall be a quorum.

IX. THE officers of the Society ſhall be, a Preſident, Vice-Preſident, Treaſurer, Secretary and Correſponding Committee of five members, with any others the Society may think neceſſary; all whom ſhall be choſen at the annual election in January, to continue in office until a new election, which ſhall be made at the next annual meeting, provided a majority of the members of the Society ſhall be preſent; otherwiſe to be at the next ſtated meeting of the Society at which ſuch majority ſhall be preſent.

X. THE Preſident, Vice-Preſident, and Treaſurer may be members of the Correſponding Committee.

XI. IN caſe of a vacancy by death, reſignation, or otherwiſe, of any officers of the Society, a new election ſhall be made at the next ſtated meeting; and the perſon ſo elected to fill ſuch vacancy ſhall continue in office until the next general election of officers of the Society.

XII. UNTIL the number of members ſhall amount to ſixteen, a Preſident, Vice-Preſident, Treaſurer and Secretary, ſhall be appointed by a majority of the members preſent, to ſerve until the Society ſhall conſiſt of ſixteen members.

XIII. AT all meetings of the Society the Preſident ſhall exerciſe the uſual duties of that office; all motions ſhall be addreſſed to him, and the votes on every queſtion taken and declared by him. He ſhall have power, with the concurrence of four other members, to call a ſpecial meeting of the Society. In his abſence the Vice-Preſident ſhall perform the ſame duties; and if both the Preſident and Vice-Preſident ſhould be abſent, the members preſent (being a quorum to tranſact buſineſs) ſhall chooſe a Vice-Preſident for that meeting.

XIV. THE Treaſurer ſhall keep the accounts of the Society regularly ſtated, in a book to be provided for that purpoſe, ſubject to the inſpection of any member at every meeting. He ſhall, at the laſt meeting of every year, or at the expiration of his office,